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**SAMUEL GOLDWYN HAS ACQUIRED US RIGHTS TO SEAN CISTERNA'S
"FROM THE VINE" STARRING JOE PANTOLIANO**

Los Angeles, CA (**July 28, 2020**) – Samuel Goldwyn Films announced today that the company has acquired US rights to Sean Cisterna's feature **FROM THE VINE**. The film stars Joe Pantoliano (The Matrix/Memento), Wendy Crewson (Air Force One), Marco Leonardi (Lucania), Paula Brancati, Tony Nardi (the Red Mapple Leaf), Tony Nappo (Bad Bloos), Kevin Hanchard (Wish Upon), and Franco Lo Presti (TV's *Bad Blood*). **FROM THE VINE** will be released on cable On-Demand & Digital this fall.

Mark Gentile, an attorney and automotive company executive, travels to Italy after a major humiliation in business. He returns to the tiny village of Acerenza, visiting the vineyard where he grew up and finds it in a state of disrepair. Mark gets an idea to bring the overgrown property back to life and start producing wine again. Mark convinces various denizens of Acerenza, each with their own comedic personality, to aid him in this seemingly impractical effort, promising everyone a share in the business if it is successful. Concerned about his sudden and lengthy trip, Mark is joined by his wife Marina, and his twenty-something daughter, Laura, whose purpose is lost. But when Mark gets a serious offer to run another company, he abruptly packs up and heads home, leaving his daughter to run the winery, something she never planned to do as a career. Laura is furious with Mark, but then learns that his choice will ultimately benefit the vineyard and bring true prosperity to Acerenza.

FROM THE VINE was directed by Sean Cisterna, written by Willem Wenekers, and adapted from Ken Cancellara's novel FINDING MARCO. The film was produced by Sean Cisterna, Ken Cancellara, Kyle Bornais, Francesco Papa, and Paula Brancati.

"Some of my all-time favourite motion pictures begin with the iconic Samuel Goldwyn Films logo. Our cast and crew are beyond thrilled that FROM THE VINE can be a bottle of fine wine amongst the collection of gourmet Goldwyn meals," says director Sean Cisterna.

The deal was negotiated by Peter Goldwyn on behalf of Samuel Goldwyn Films and Mark Holdom on behalf of the filmmakers.

ABOUT SAMUEL GOLDWYN FILMS

Samuel Goldwyn Films is a major, independently owned and operated motion-picture company that develops, produces and distributes innovative feature films and documentaries.

The company is dedicated to working with both world-renowned and emerging writers/filmmakers and committed to filmed entertainment that offers original voices in uniquely told stories. This is best exemplified by the Academy Award® nominated SUPER SIZE ME; Sundance winner GOOK written and directed by Justin Chon; the critically acclaimed feature debut by Francis Lee GOD'S OWN COUNTRY; SXSW winner MOST BEAUTIFUL ISLAND; Warwick Thornton's Australian western SWEET COUNTRY starring Sam Neill, Bryan Brown, and Hamilton Morris; the Wim Wenders film, starring James McAvoy and Academy Award winner® Alicia Vikander, SUBMERGENCE; NANCY, a psychological thriller starring Andrea Riseborough; COLD SKIN from director Xavier Gens; A BOY A GIRL A DREAM starring Omari Hardwick and Meagan Good, and Ondi Timoner's bio-pic MAPPLETHORPE starring Matt Smith'; the Karen Gillan & David Dastmalchian lead film ALL CREATURES HERE BELOW; Sci-Fi/Fantasy PARADISE HILLS starring Emma Roberts; Aaron Paul lead thriller THE PARTS YOU LOSE; the horror/thriller film starring

Patrick Schwarzenegger and Miles Robbins DANIEL ISN'T REAL; the road-trip comedy COME AS YOU ARE; the dark-comedy JUDY & PUNCH; action packed Scott Adkins lead film DEBT COLLECTORS; and MR. JONES starring James Norton, Vanessa Kirby, and Peter Sarsgaard. Upcoming releases include the sea shanty true story FISHERMAN'S FRIENDS; Australian romance DIRT MUSIC; and the epic drama WAITING FOR THE BARBARIANS starring Academy Award® winner Mark Rylance, Academy Award® nominee Johnny Depp, and Robert Pattinson.

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